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CLAIMS

- A formulation comprising an anionic or polymeric surfactant, and a GLP-1-like peptide, provided that the surfactant is not sodium tauro-24,25-dihydrofusidate.
- The formulation of Claim 1 wherein the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of DSS (docusate sodium, CAS Registry Number [577-11-7]), docusate calcium [CAS number 128-49-4], docusate potassium [CAS number 7491-09-0], sodium dodecyl sulfate, sodium lauryl sulfate, 10 sodium caprylate, sodium cholate, sodium deoxycholate, sodium taurocholate, and sodium glycocholate.
 - The formulation of Claim 1, wherein the surfactant is a polymeric (Tween -40, Tween -80, or Brij-35°) surfactant.

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The formulation of Claim 1, wherein the GLP-1-like molecule has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1; SEQ ID NO:4; or SEQ ID NO:5 or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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The formulation of Claim 1, wherein the GLP-1-like peptide is defined by the formula R₁-SEQ ID NO:2-R₂, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein R1 is selected from the group consisting of L-histidine, D-histidine, desamino-histidine, 2-amino-histidine, β-hydroxy-histidine, homohistidine, alpha-fluoromethyl-histidine, and alpha-methyl-histidine, and R, is selected from the group consisting of Gly-OH or NH2; or

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the GLP-1-like peptide is defined by the formula R_1 -SEQ ID NO:3- R_2 or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof,

wherein R_1 is selected from the group consisting of 4-imidazopropionyl, 4-imidazoacetyl, or 4-imidazo- α , α dimethyl-acetyl; and R_2 is selected from the group consisting of Gly-OH or NH₂.

- 6. The formulation of Claim 1, further comprising an isotonicity agent.
- 7. The formulation of Claim 6, wherein the isotonicity agent is glycerin.
 - 8. The formulation of Claim 6, wherein the isotonicity agent is sodium chloride.
 - 9. The formulation of Claim 1, further comprising a preservative.
- 15 10. The formulation of Claim 9, wherein the preservative is selected from the group consisting of m-cresol, phenol, methylparaben, and benzyl alcohol.
 - 11. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 1 to the person.
 - 12. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 2 to the person.

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- 13. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 3 to the person.
- 14. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 4 to the person.
 - 15. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 5 to the person.
 - 16. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 6 to the person.
 - 17. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 7 to the person.
 - 18. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 8 to the person.
- 19. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 9 to the person.

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- 20. A method of treating a person having a condition for which administration of GLP-1 is indicated, said method comprising administering a pharmacologically effective amount of the formulation of Claim 10 to the person.
- 5 21. The method of Claim 11, wherein the condition is diabetes.
 - 22. The method of Claim 11, wherein the condition is selected from the group consisting of obesity, myocardial infarction, catabolic states, and stroke.
- 10 23. The method of any one of Claim 11 wherein the administration is oral.

